

## Aruban musical history took place at the Cas di Cultura on Tuesday night!

On Tuesday evening, for the first time, two of Aruba's most popular youth performing groups joined forces for a delightful night of music and dance at the Cas di Cultura, located on the roundabout on the eastern end of Oranjestad.

The stage was filled with the sound of music, as children ranging in age from three years old to thirteen performed dance numbers choreographed by Marisol Pena, Director of the Timbarichi and Lollipop Dance group, to music composed by Edseline Figaroa, Director of Ritmo y Mas singing group. This joining of forces combined for an explosive evening of fun and entertainment in a show titled "Mundo di Mucha," which is Papiamento for "World of a Child."

The numerous skits and dance numbers staged in the Cas di Cultura auditorium used the various events and concerns of children as their subject matter, presented in a positive and subtly educational fashion. Enthusiasm for and the benefits of attending school, (which is the key to one's future,) the fact that a child should be considered "Un Milago di Papa Grande" (A Miracle of God) and the "World of a Child" performed by Daniela Tromp, all carried a message, sometimes one of the need for more patience and better understanding between parents and children. These various concepts were couched in lively music and delightful dance numbers that the large troupe performed with humor and gusto, providing a wonderfully entertaining evening. Luigi Cortes, the winner of Aruba's answer to "American Idol," the Sparkling Tour of 2006, additionally joined the cast with an exciting performance.

The success of this musical venture guarantees that this won't be the last time for a collaboration between these two popular performing troupes!